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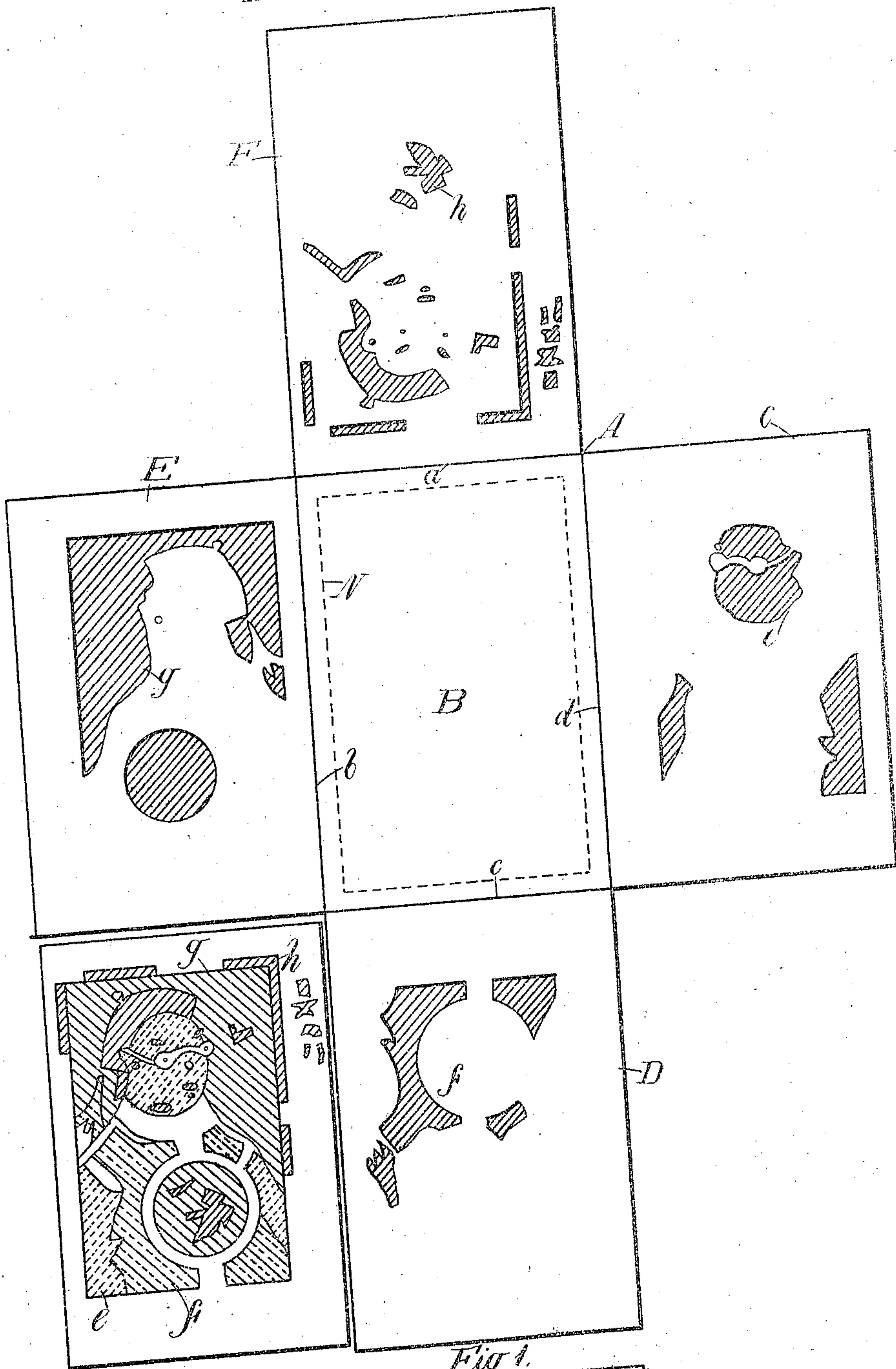


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, ALBERT GEORGE PIRKIS, a subject of the King of Great Britain, residing at London, in the county of London, England, have invented certain new and Improved Apparatus for Stenciling Designs on Post-Cards and the Like, in one or more colors, applicable also for the decoration of other suitable articles, of which the following is a specification, such as will enable those skilled in the art to which it appertains to make and use the same.

The object of this invention is to provide a simple and cheap stenciling apparatus with which post cards, and other like cards and papers can be decorated with designs in several colors, and which will form a fascinating toy for children, and an advertising device, while being also capable of application to decorative purposes generally.

In order that the invention may be clearly understood, I append a full description, and a sheet of drawings in which:—

Figure 1. is a plan of the apparatus. Fig. 2. is an end view of same when folded. Fig. 3. is a plan showing a design completed.

A is a sheet of paper, cardboard, metal, or any other suitable material shaped as shown in drawing, the center base B being of any required size, and the flaps C. D. E. F. of a size to correspond with it, and creased in such a manner at *a. b. c. d.* as to fold over said base, each flap being used singly and flat on the base, in proper rotation according to the color used.

Fig. 2. shows the apparatus completely folded when not in use.

Fig. 3. shows a completed design to illustrate the process.

Upon flap C is cut a stencil *e* of portion of the design which is shown in Fig. 3. and marked therein by the same letter, upon D is cut a stencil *f* upon E a stencil *g*, and upon F a stencil *h*, all shown by same letters upon said figure.

The process is as follows, a card to be operated on is placed on B and fastened thereon by pins or by any other desirable method, flap C is then folded on to it, and a brush or other color conveyer charged with, for example, yellow, is brushed over the stencil, leaving that portion of the design yellow on the card, C is then folded back and D folded

on to B and blue applied, and then folded back, E is then folded over and red applied, and then folded back, and finally F is folded over and black applied, the design in four colors is then completed, the card thus decorated can then be removed and the process repeated.

It is obvious that any number of folding flaps can be used, and I do not confine myself to the example shown or to the shape thereof, as an octagon base with angular flaps, and other like variations can be used without departing from the spirit of my invention, I also do not confine myself to the production of designs on paper, card, and the like, as I can, by my invention, decorate boxes, book covers, and other articles suitable for such treatment, by cutting out the center portion of the base B, along the dotted lines N, leaving a narrow margin, as shown in drawing, for the purpose of holding the folding flaps, and for fastening base B to the article to be decorated, the cut out portion, it is evident, allows the various flaps to be folded over in turn and operated as before described leaving a completed design on said article.

Having now described and ascertained the nature of my said invention, and in what manner the same is to be performed I declare that what I claim is:—

1. An apparatus for stenciling designs on postcards and the like, in one or more colors, consisting of the combination of base B, with folding perforated flaps C, D, E, F, constructed and operating as described and illustrated in accompanying drawings.

2. An apparatus for stenciling in one or more colors, consisting of the combination of base B having the central portion, indicated by dotted lines N, adapted to be removed, and folding perforated flaps C, D, E, F, constructed and operating as described and illustrated in accompanying drawings.

In testimony that I claim the foregoing as my invention, I have signed my name in presence of the subscribing witnesses this 2nd day of April 1906.

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